**SUBMARINES** 

# BRITAIN IMPARTIAL IN COMMERCE WAR

NOT TO USE FORCE TO WIN TRADE WHEN CONFLICT IS FINISHED.

## "OUR" INTERESTS AT HEART

No Mention Made of Blacklist in Future Dealings with New World -Question of Common Sense to Guide.

London.-The comment in the United States concerning the possible effect of the commercial measures contemplated by the recent Paris economic conference of the entente allies, led Lord Robert Cecil, minister of war trade, to declare that wholly wrong conclusions had been drawn from them, especially with regard to these conclusions attributing any attempt to exclude or discriminate against the trade of the United States with the entente allies after the war.

"Our relations with the New World will always be of vast importance to us," Lord Robert said to a correspondent, "and they take a leading place in our plans. In answer to the great calumny so often circulated, and which we indignantly repudite, I want to say that wihe we are planning our measures for peace now, we pledge our honor these plans and measures, which we are bound to take against the neutral trader with our enemies under the laws of war, have been and will be kept entirely sep-

"They are worked out in different departments. They are wholly distinct. We shall never try, what we know would be fatal to our own interests, to use any of our belligerent measures to enable us to replace new trals by British trade or impede the commercial enterprise of neutral na-

Lord Robert did not mention the blacklist in this connection, but unquestionably he had it in mind.

"What one of the districts devas tated during the war would wish to lose the opportunity to take advantage of American enterprise and capital?" asked Lord Robert. "Suppose, for instance, no question of friendship were involved. Then it resolves itself into a question of plain, common-sense business," he added.

## HUGE INCREASE IN EXPORTS

Favorable Trade Balance in Last Eight Months Is Nearly Two Billion Dollars,

Washington, D. C .- The enormous extent of recent gains in the export trade of the United States is disclosed in statistics issued by the department of commerce. Total exports for the first eight months of the calendar year in many cases were millions of dollars greater than those of the entire fiscal year of 1914.

Exports to Greece for the eight months leaped 2,200 per cent, compared to the fiscal year 1914; to Russia 900 per cent; to Norway 340 per cent; to France, 240 per cent; to Denmark, 140 per cent; to Italy 129 per cent; to the United Kingdom 103 per cent; to Sweden 84 per cent; to Cuba, 42 per cent, and to Japan 25 per cent.

This vast export trade shows an apparent trade balance for the eight months of \$1,730,000,000 in favor of the United States and department officials predict that by the end of the year it will exceed \$2,500,000,000. The total exports amounted to \$3,435,969,-212, an increase of \$1,205,082,010 over the same eight months a year ago.

## AMERICANS KILLED IN MEXICO

New York, N. Y .- In a prepared speech, entitled "The Truth About Mexico," United States Senator Al-Republican meeting here, denounced President Wilson's policy toward the neighboring republic.

Senator Fall quoted from many of the president's speeches and finished by giving a list of American citizens who had been "killed in Mexico by armed Mexicans between December 1, 1910, and September 1, 1916." The list included 285 names.

### Two Dead in Race Fight. Billings, Mont.-In a race fight be

tween negroes and whites near Nihill on the Great Northern Railroad, in Meagher county, several negroes are said to have shot three white men, killing two.

Redmond Denounces Conscription. Waterford, Ireland.-The proposal to enforce conscription in Ireland was denounced by John Redmond. Irish leader, in a speech here as "the most fatal thing that could happen."

Corporal Slain on Street. Laredo, Texas.-Corporal Leopold L. Lovell of K Company, second

Maine infantry, was shot and killed instantly when he walked from a store. An investigation has not de veloped who fired the shot. Dublin to Get \$5,000,000 Loan.

Dublin, Ireland.-The corporation of Dublin is arranging for a special meeting to consider an offer by the National City Bank of New York to make a loan of \$5,000,000 to the city fer rebuilding and housing operations.

Two Killed When Trains Collide. Altoona, Pa.-Two men were killed. 12 passengers and three trainmen badly injured when a passenger train on the middle division of the Pennsylvania railroad, crashed into a

"Golf Cabaret." Cleveland, O .- Golf cabaret is the latest, and it is the scheme of John D. He has a quartet follow him from tee to tee, and he makes 250-yard drives to the tune of "A Perfect Day" on the links of his estate.

## DAUGHTERS OF A GREAT GENERAL



While their father is leading the British troops at the front these two children, Alexandra and Victoria Haig, daughters of Sir Douglas Haig, British commander in chief, have been enjoying the angling at Deal, England.

GERARD SAID TO HAVE PETI- JOINT COMMISSION HAS NUMER-TION FOR INTERVENTION.

Terms of Proposal Not Known, But Doubt Expressed That Conference Recent Evente Said to Have Shaken German Confidence.

New York, N. Y .- Germany has in suing for peace with the allies, according to a story published in the

New Yo W Evening Post. aly says Ambassador James W. Geriter who is on his way over ences may be brought to a satisfachere, tay the kaiser's request tory close by Oct. 15, but evidence before President Wilson within a of doubt is apparent. week.

The story says:

involved in the European conflict, Chihuahua. and, hence months might elapse before peace would be finally consum-

day, next.

The main statement, made with cans with reluctance. great positiveness, tends to confirm

It is a fact, however positively it ing as mediator has been discussed tary of the interior, head of the takes a hand in the controversy. by German officials with Ambassa- American commission. He admitted

"No details of that nature were the offer, in view of the recent events in the war, the terms which the ized the continuance of the confer-Teutonic empires would agree to would be much more reasonable than those which have been suggested RUSSIAN LOSSES THIS YEAR from time to time as a basis for ending the conflict."

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Fix Spoiled Fat Price. Berlin.-Maximum prices for spoiled

prices. War Policy Approved. Amsterdam. - A Constantinople elegram says that the committee of union and progress has adopted a

resolution to pursue the war with Tur-

key's allies to a victorious end. Cleveland Eats Goats Cleveland.-The high cost of living has driven Clevelanders to goat meat, according to J. L. Hildebrand, a local meat dealer. Goat meat at 16 cents a pound is being consumed in large

quantities.

Essad Pasha Sentenced to Die. London,-A report on the death sentence passed by a courtmartial in Constantinople on Essad Pashs, former provisional president of Albania, stroyed his home. "I could have put has been received in Amsterdam. The it out with a real engine," Charles sentence of death was confirmed.

OUS PLANS.

Can Be Ended by Oct. 15, as

Was Wished.

Atlantic City, N. J. - Various definitely decided to apply to Presi- plans for the protection of life dent Wilson to use his good offices and property along the border have been disclosed again by the Mexican-American joint commission, but without agreement. Both Mexicans and Americans still hope that the confer-

At least four plans for border control have been suggested, two by the "Important bank interests, in close Americans and two by the Mexicans, touch with Germany's plans, pointed all involving the question of with out that a great many nations were drawal of Gen. Pershing's army from

The Americans have steadily insistmated, even in the event that Presi- especially the operation of decrees ed that Mexico's internal problems, dent Wilson intervened as mediator, affecting foreigners, as well as the "Ambassador Gerard is on board ability of the Carranza government to the steamship Frederick VIII, which afford protection of foreigners and left from the other side on Saturday their property, must be considered as last, and is due here, according to an integral part of any agreement for officers of the line, probably on Tues- border control. The Mexicans have acceded to the attitude of the Ameri-

rumors that have been afloat for tice on the Mexicans that Gen. Pershing's force would not be withdrawn may be denied officially, that the ability to establish order was again until Mexico had demonstrated its Atlantic, but have no comments to that the attitude of the Mexicans reobtainable, but it was generally from neither side had there come any mained unchanged, but insisted that suggestion or demand that jeopard-

News Agency Says Figures of Eastern Front Offensive Are From Cautious Calculations.

Berlin, Germany.—Casualties among the Russian armies during this year's offensive on the eastern front, according to cautious calculations, says the Overseas News Agency, have been at least 1,250,000 officers and men.

According to conservative Danish calculations, the news agency adds, Russia during the first two years of the war lost considerably more than 6,000,000 men. Wounded men who returned to the front are not includ-

8-Hour Day for Women.

Chicago.-The Women's Trade Union League of Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis and Springfield, Ill., have begun a three-day meeting here. Speakers urged the extension of the eight-hour day to all women work-

Shuts Out U. S. Cotton Goods. Washington .- Consul General Skinner at London notified the department commerce that Great Britain had extended her embargo against importations to the United Kingdom to include cotton knit goods.

New York.-Lieutenant butter and other fats are planned in George O. Squier, commanding the the near future. This is the result aviation section of the United States of discovery that large amounts of signal corps, has asked a magazine to fats have spoiled or been allowed to aid in obtaining the names and adspoil and then sold at exorbitant dresses of about 600 American flyers.

Crane Child Stricken. Pittsfield, Mass.-Winthrop Murray Crane III, 6-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop Murray Crane of Craneville and grandson of former United States Senator Crane, has infantile paralysis.

52 Bushels of Wheat to Acre. Edmonton, Alberta.-C. S. Noble of Nobleford, Alberta, has a 1,000 acre field of wheat which yielded 52 bushels to the acre. The world's record formerly was held by Whitman county, Wash., with 51 bushels.

Yonkers, N. Y .- To try out his new toy fire engine, Charles Donaldson, 5. started a blaze which nearly desaid later.

# **GOVERNOR MAJOR** BRING WAR TOU.S. COAST

NINE ENEMY AND NEUTRAL SHIPS SUNK ON OUR SIDE

## **DESTROYERS SAVE SURVIVORS**

War Opened on Shipping From Our Ports to Europe, and Lives of Americans Are Believed to Be in Danger.

OF ATLANTIC.

Washington, D. C .- Last Saturday the German submarine U-53 put in a sudden appearance at Newport News and in a few hours departed. She ieft dispatches and made no effort to conceal her warlike appearance.

Newport, R. L.-The executive officer of the destroyer Ericsson just returned from the scene of the German submarine activities off Nantucket reported that nine ships had been sunk and that three submarines were operating off the coast. Three British warships have arrived off Nantucket.

Newport, R. L.-Four destroyers of cued from the ships sunk off Nantucket Sunday by a German submarine. The Ericsson, the first of the destroyers to arrive, brought 81, the Drayton 68, the Benham 36 and the

Thirty-five women and ten children are among those on the Ericsson.

Boston, Mass.-The submarine arm of the Imperial German navy is ravaging shipping off the eastern coast

of the United States. Four British, one Dutch and one Norwegian steamer were sent to the bottom or left crippled derelicts ori Nantucket Shoals

Under the light of the hunter's moon, the destroyer flotilla of the United States Atlantic fleet picked up passengers and crews of the destroyed vessels and took them into Newport, R. I.

So far as known there was no loss of life, though at a late hour the crew of the British steamer Kingston had not been accounted for.

A submarine held up the American steamer Kansan, bound from New York for Genoa, with steel for the Italian government, but on establishing her identity, allowed the American to proceed.

The hostile submarine is believed be the U-53, which paid a call to Newport and disappeared at sunset. Some naval men, however, declared that at least two submarines are operating close to the American shore, though outside the three-mile limit.

Shadow Lawn, N. J .- President Wilson and his advisers here are very much concerned over the latest devel opments of the German submarine war being waged on this side of the make. The president says he will await the full particulars before he So far as known here no lives have been lost, though the spirit of the law as to endangering Americans has been badly fractured.

Killed When Kicked by Horse. Mountain Grove, Mo.-While trying to subdue a fractious hourse, William Olsen, a young farmer of this place, was instantly killed by a vicious kick from the animal, which broke Olsen's neck.

Declines Greek Premiership.
Athens.—King Constantine personally called at the home of Dionysios Stephanou and asked the aged statesman, who is ill in bed, to form a cabinet. The statesman declined the

Russia's Carried-Over Cereals. Petrograd.-Compiled figures show that there are in this country 20,000. 000,000 pounds of cereals remaining from last year's crops.

Carranza May Not Be Candidate. El Paso, Texas,-Gen. Venustiano Carranza may not be a candidate for the presidency of Mexico at the first election to be held by the de facto government.

Sugar From Palmyra Palm. London .- A new sort of sugar, obtained from the Palmyra palm, which grows abundantly in the northern districts of Ceylon, will shortly be placed on the market here.

Leather Cost Rises in England.

London .- A job line of 3,000 pairs

months ago, was valued at a court inquiry at \$3.12 a pair, indicative of the advance in the price of leather. Georgia Negro Lynched. Sandiersville, Ga.-Charles Smith a negro, accused of shooting and

wounding Deputy Sheriff B. A. English was captured and lynched by a mob near here. Life for Bomb Tragedy. San Francisco, Cal.-Warren K. Billings, convicted of the murder of Mrs. Myrtle van Loo, in connection with the Preparedness day parade

bomb explosion here July 22, in which

10 persons lost their lives, was sen-

tenced to life imprisonment. Paralysis Doctor Dies. Washington.-Dr. Arthur L. Hunt who assisted the health department in observing persons coming to the district from communities infected with infantile paralysis, is dead of

Woman Gets Fourth Divorce. Fort Worth, Tex.-When Mrs. Lula Snyder obtained a divorce from G. E. Snyder in a local court it was her fourth one. She was given all the family property involved in the litigation except an automobile.

# TO MAKE SPEECHES

WILL EXPLAIN STATE FINANCES AND WHY PENSIONS ARE

WILL MAKE A TOUR OF STATE

State Owes No Money Unless Bill Has Been Signed by Governor-Next Legislature Will Square Up All Deficiencies.

Jefferson City. Governor Major is making plans to deliver some campaign speeches this week. He spoke last Monday at West Plains, and will be in Southeast Missouri the latter part of the week. For the most part Col. Gardner will be north of the Missouri river. The governor is explaining some of

the state's financial problems. The continuous harping on the Confederate pension deficiency has made the executive determine to set the people right on this issue. He says that all the money appropriated for these old soldiers has been paid out, and they will have to wait for their pay until another legislature provides it. They the American flotilla have come into have not received any pension money harbor here bringing 216 persons res- in over a year. There are about 1.500 of them and they are supposed to get \$10 a month each.

The governor approved the bill that granted these measures of relief for our old men, and feels keenly any criticism directed at the state's fallure to meet its charitable obligations. This law provides that only indigent soldiers who have honorable records of service and discharge may particle pate in the state's bounty. These old men have no property of their own, and must live on what the state gives

them. One theory held by the defenders the state administration is to the effect that if a bill was not signed by the governor the appropriation not legal, and only such are legal as have the money in the revenue fund to meet them.

While there is a considerable debt over some of the departments of the state government, the governor says the next legislature is perfectly able to take care of any deficiency that has arisen.

There is quite a sum due the state university, according to the figures furnished by some of the campaign speakers.

Leads in Lead Mining. The demands from Europe in 1915 caused the output of Missouri lead mines to break all records. There was put on the market 195,634 tons in smelted or refined shape, which, at \$94 a ton New York value, was worth \$18,389,596, says a bulletin issued by John T. Fitzpatrick, commissioner of the bureau of statistics.

In 1915 Missouri supplied the world with 36 per cent of the lead ore mined in the United States, holding first rank for output of 160,680 tons, and Utah came third with 106,105 tons. While the total output of all states was 537,012 tons, Missouri produced more lead ore in 1915 than Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming combined.

Roads Cost More. Word comes to the capital that after an exhaustive survey of road building in the United States, that it

costs more money now to make a mile of good road now than it ever did. This survey was made by the department of agriculture, and shows how much each state is spending on its highways and how much help it is receiving from the federal government. Every state now has a highway department except Indiana, South Carolina and Texas, and these will be organized as soon as possible, otherwise these commonwealths will be cut off from the assistance furnished by the government

In 1904 the cash expenditures for rural roads per mile was \$28, while in 1915 the amount had grown to \$109. New Jersey spends the most per mile, \$475, while Nevada is at the bottom of the list with \$17.

Major Bosses Road Work.

In the observance of the "Good Roads Days," Gov. Major took charge of 200 convicts and directed their labor on the roads surrounding the capital city. Most of the work was on the 12-mile drive, the most popular route of the joyriders out of the city. Three motor trucks and a number of of boots, worth 71 cents a pair six wagons were used in hauling gravel to spread on the road. Warden D. C. McClung was with the governor in one of the warden's automobiles.

> Abolish Exchange List. The abolition of the time-honored custom of free "exchanges" among newspapers is advocated by J. B. Powell, instructor in advertising in the University of Missouri at Columbia. as a part of a retrenchment policy needed by all Missouri newspapers during the present high prices of news print paper and other materials of the printing industry.

"There are few newspapers which do not have long lists of free 'exchanges of no value, said Mr. Powell in his talk.

Hagerman Case Argued.

Last Monday the supreme court in banc heard arguments involving the Hagerman case in St. Louis, the case of patient, scientific investigation, the involving the right of Acting Gov. department of agriculture believes it William R. Painter to remove from at last has discovered a method of office Dr. U. G. Crandall and Joseph destroying the boll weevil, the para-McDonald, late police commissioner site which the department reports for the city of St. Joseph.

The Hagerman case not only involves the tenure of office of the circuit clerk of the city of St. Louis, but the tenure of the present state superintendent of schools, Uel W.

Sheriff's Sale State's Cash Balance. Disbursement of the state school noneys during September cut the big

ury for the month of September are

Balance on hand August 31, \$6,081,

during September, \$2,713,567.52; bal-

ance on hand September 30, \$3,967,-

Of this general balance there is

that it must be investigated by a

the privilege of conducting an inves-

State officials here, and those who

of the revenue to carry on the state

work, but the governor found it neces-

sary to veto some of these appropri-

ations, amounting to between \$2,000.-

000 at one time, and \$2,300,000 in the

second case. This leaves an overap-

propriation of only \$500,000 for the

state, which is not considered heavy,

yet there is a deficit in many funds

Gov. Major is in receipt of a letter

from Miss Fannie D. Robb of the St.

Louis W. C. T. U., demanding an im-

mediate public investigation of the

The letter speaks of conditions in

from penitentiary management, and

that the warden, in future, shall be

chosen, not because of party service,

but because of expert training and

The criminal proceedings against

Warden McClung of the penitentiary,

charging that he was responsible for

a felonious assault upon the person

of James Underwood, a Kansas City

convict accused of having set fire to

a prison oilhouse, were dismissed in

court after Underwood himself had

testified that neither the warden nor

any employe of the prison had struck

him. He said that at no time had

any officer of the penitentiary struck

him, but that he had been kept in

the rings for three days following a

Harry B. Hawes, a prominent at-

torney of St. Louis, has been placed

on the Democratic ticket for the state

senate. His candidacy succeeds that

of the more or less celebrated "Fish"

McAdams. Mr. Hawes was long a

wheel horse of Missouri Democracy,

and at one time was a candidate for

governor. He is said to be rich and

his law practice yields him \$20,000

yearly, according to reports. If he

censents to run his election is as-

Farmers in Southeast Missouri will

be glad to know that after 12 years

has caused this season's cotton crop

The department is keeping the new

method secret, pending final proof of

its efficiency. For the yast two years

tests have shown a phenomenal suc-

virtually to be a failure.

sured as the district is Democratic.

efficiency in prison management.

Charges Groundless.

recent fire.

Hawes for Senate.

Boll Weevil Cure.

intended for current bills.

Ladies Anvious

penitentiary.

be denied them.

October 3.

Republicans Complain.

shown as follows:

balance that was in the state treasury August 31 nearly half in two. From the statement filed by Treasurer Deal with Gov. Major the con-

667.64; receipts during the month of September, \$649.890.50; disbursements

990.02
Of this general belance there is \$124,212.55 in the revenue fund, and there still remains undisbursed in the state school fund a balance of \$221,202.94.
The several road funds show an aggregate belance of \$221,298.29, which arises from the following sources: From the genaral road fund, \$27.51.63; from the sale of option stamps, \$42,388.96; from the registration of ecoporations, \$51,583.82, and from the registration of automobile and other motor vehicle owners, drivers and dealers, \$198,818.99.

This is a balance in the game protection fund of \$1,271.82.
During the month of September there was disbursed from the state capitol building fund \$169,344.89, leaving a balance remaining in that fund of \$1,167,317.77.

The expenditures of the penitectury for the month aggregated \$41.914.22.

Women Not to investigate.
It was a big disappointment to Mrs. Henry 8. Ess, president of the Susan B. Anthony Club of Kansas City, not to be allowed to send a committee of women here to investigate conditions at the state prison.

The committee may come, but the governor says that they will be accorded exactly the same treatment as other visitors who are proper persons to admit inside the prison and be escorted by a prison officer through a few of the cell buildings, one or two workshops, the kitchen and dining room and the female department.

The women have holding meetings for the last two or three weeks and listening to stories told by former convicts and others about the conditions in the prison until they decided that it must be investigated by a committee from their own organizate.

Tract No. 6—All of section twenty-six (26), township thirty-four (34), north, range four (4) east, containing 640 acres, more or less. tions in the prison until they decided range four (4) east, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Tract No. 7—All of section twenty-seven (27), township thirty-four (34), north, range four (4) east, containing 640 acres, more or less. committee from their own organiza-Gov. Major has nipped the movement in the bud. He says that if these women come here and ask for

Tract No. 8—The oast one-half of the southeast quarter of section twenty-eight (28), township thirty-four (34), north, range four (4) east, containing 80 acres, more or less.

Tract No. 10—The northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section thirty-three (33), township thirty four (24), north, range four (4) east, containing 40 acres, more or less. tigation into the various departments of the prison when and where it suits their convenience the privilege will

north, range four (4) east, containing 40 acres, more or less.

Tract No. 11—All of section thirty-four (24), north, range four (4) east, except that part of said section, a tract 1,329 feet square, heretofore conveyed by Julius H. York and wife to Presbyterian Ministerial Association of St. Louis, Mo., as in Book 56, at page 29, of Iron County Land Records. Looking around the state capital for the leaks of which the Republican candidates for office have spoken so much lately, the Republicans find 56, at page 20, of Iron County Land Records,
Tract No. 12—The north one-half; the north one-half of the southwest quarter; the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter; and the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter; and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter; all in section thirty-five (35), township thirty-four (34), north, range four (4) east, containing 450 acres, more or less.

Tract No. 13—The northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section thirty-six (36), township thirty-four (34), north, range four (4) east, containing 40 acres, more or less.

Tract No. 14—The northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of section twenty-four (24), township thirty-four (34), north, range three (3) east, containing 40 acres, more or less.

Tract No. 15—Lots seven (7) and eight (8), in block six (6), Arcadia Heights, as per piat on file in the office of the there is no money in the state treasury to pay criminal court costs. The legislature appropriated \$450,000 for this purpose, but like many other appropriations the funds ran out on

are looking for state office declare that some method will have to be devised next January to increase the revenues of the state. The last legisture appropriated \$4,800,000 in excess

> Recorder of Decas for Iron County, and Tract No. 16—Lot twenty-seven (27), in block six (6), Arcadia Heights, as per plat on file in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for Iron County, Mo. Tract No. 17—Lot forty-six (45), of the Big Muddy Coal & Lron Company's Subdivision, platted for the South Hungarian Colonization and Land Company, as perplat on file in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for Iron County, Mo., containing 50-100 acres.

> Tract No. 18—Lot eighty-eight (88), of the Big Muddy Coal & Iron Company's subdivision, platted for the South Hungarian Colonization and Land Company, as per plat on file in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for Iron County, Mo. containing 20-100 acres.

Tract No. 19—Lots seven (7) and eight (8), in block twenty-seven (27), in the town of Pliot Knob, Missouri, as per plat on file in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for Iron County, Mo. the penitentiary, as to crowding, ventilation and sanitation, as "woeful," and says the state of Missouri is Tract No. 20—Lot four (4), in block thirty-two (22), in the town of Pilot Knob, Missouri, as per plat on file in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for Iron shamefully guilty in this respect. The latter condemns all methods of punishment involving bodily torture, and the contract labor system. The demand is made that politics and political considerations be removed

And I will on Courty, Mo. 2670BER 23, 1916, at the east front door of the during in the city, between the house of the cast for the cast for in the city of the ci

WM. BLUE, Sheriff Iron county, Mo. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Do not lay down this paper until you have looked carefully over the advertisements. You will find them mighty interesting and profitable.

Since the United States began acquiring overseas possessions after the Spanish-American war of 18 years ago the republic has so considerably added to its responsibilities outside the American continent that it now owns more than 8,000 islands, with a poputation of some ten millions, and an import and export trade, mainly with America, of over \$300,000,000 annually, says London Chronicle. Of these 8,-000 and odd islands rather more than 3,000 are in the Philippines group, seven-eighths of which are less than a square mile in area.